

vital subject. It takes precedence at hand and gives vehement attention over wool prices. It is more import- He is filled with a lively fear, too, ant than pedigrees and breeds. It that the trusts may be hurt in the towers above the coyote question like process of reforming them, a solici-Mount Hood over a mole hill. For it tude for which the trusts, eminently Mount Hood over a mole hill. For it is the life and essence of the sheep doubtless gratefully appreciative. industry. It must be discussed. It must be acted upon. These organizations of stockmen must begin at the reward the great captains of indusbottom of this question and thresh it try," cries Mr. Roosevelt. And that bottom of this question and threan it out intelligently and thoroughly. How many more years will Oregon It would add enormously to the in-

ranges last, without recuperation? terest and value of the president's How much better could they be disquisitions if he would abandon made by irrigation. reseeding and combines on which the public mark protection from fire? How will the is centered-the Coal and Food subject be handled-by public or pri- trusts. vate means? It is the basis of your The one involves the railroad quesindustry and the keystone of your tion, the other both the railroad ques-

future

The fact that the assessment rolls Roosevelt had a word to say, sor of Umatilia county shows a short-sheltered from foreign competition by age in valuations over last year is tition by the railroads, which give not an evidence that property has re- it cheaper freight rates than rivals ally decreased in value in this coun- can get. ty, but is accounted for by the con- fies the Sherman law, and disobeys version of property into money and a the provision in its railroad charters failure to give the money in for as which forbids transportation comsesament. The stock sales have been panies engaging in coal mining heavy within the past 12 months and No constitutional amendment is reheavy within the past 12 months and the conversion of this resource into to deal with the coal trust, but only the money makes it appear that Uma- existing laws.

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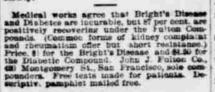
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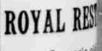
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